5811. Adulteration of eggs. U. S. * * * v. 800 Cases of Eggs. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Good portion released on payment of the costs. Unfit portion ordered to be used for tanning purposes only. (F. & D. No. 8280. I. S. Nos. 12271-m, 12272-m. S. No. C-698.)

On June 25, 1917, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 800 cases, each containing 30 dozen eggs, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at St. Louis, Mo., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about June 19, 1917, by A. B. Walker & Sons., Chicago, Ill., and transported from the State of Illinois into the State of Missouri, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in whole or in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On July 10, 1917, the said A. B. Walker & Sons and H. H. Bergman, St. Louis, Mo., claimants, having filed their answer and claim, and the case having come on for final disposition, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the portion of the product found fit for food by representatives of this department should be released to said claimants upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings, and that the unfit portion should be cracked or otherwise treated so as to prevent its use as a food and released to claimants to be used for tanning purposes only.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.